7 CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

- A hip joint prosthesis comprising:
 a replacement ligamentum teres femoris.
- 2. The prosthesis according to claim 1, further comprising a replacement femoral head to which said replacement ligamentum teres femoris is attached.
- 3. The prosthesis according to claim 1, further comprising a replacement acetabular structure to which said replacement ligamentum teres femoris is attached.
- 4. The prosthesis according to claim 1, wherein said replacement ligamentum teres femoris comprises one attachment zone for attachment to a femoral head and at least one attachment zone to acetabular structure.
- 5. The prosthesis according to claim 2, wherein said replacement ligamentum teres femoris extends outwards from a portion of said replacement femoral head corresponding to a fovea of a natural femoral head.
- 6. The prosthesis according to claim 2, wherein said replacement femoral head extends from a stem insertable into a femur.
- 7. The prosthesis according to claim 6, wherein said stem comprises an alignment device adapted to orient said replacement femoral head in a predefined orientation.
- 8. The prosthesis according to claim 1, wherein said replacement ligamentum teres femoris is stretchable.